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REPORT.

Amount of taxes assessed in the town of Bow, for the year 1883, including school house taxes in Districts No. 1 and 14,	$3,848.58
Dogs taxed,	57.00
	$3,905.58

RECEIPTS.

Balance in hands of treasurer, March 1, 1883,	$547.47
Received of—	
State Treasurer, railroad tax for 1883,	251.23
Savings bank tax,	1,342.29
Literary fund,	71.91
County of Merrimack, support of county paupers,	116.11
State Treasurer, bounties on crows,	21.50
County of Hillsborough, support of county pauper,	33.51
Horace H. Parker, collector of taxes for the year 1881, in full,	183.63
R. Green, collector of taxes for the year 1882, in full,	207.13
R. Green, collector of taxes for 1883,	3,215.00
	$5,989.78

EXPENDITURES.

Paid—State Treasurer, state tax,	$1,040.00
County Treasurer,	1,169.95
	$2,209.95

School Money.

Paid—District No. 1, for 1882 and 1883,	$155.41
District No. 2,	114.16
District No. 3,	79.74
District No. 4,	96.08
District No. 5,	48.22
District No. 6,	60.70
District No. 7,	56.20
District No. 8,	60.81
District No. 9,	45.55
District No. 10,	62.36
District No. 11,	70.85
District No. 12,	45.29
District No. 13, for 1882 and 1883,	126.61
District No. 14,	89.68
	$1,111.66

Support of County Paupers.

Paid—George L. Lovejoy, for coffin and burial of Joseph Perigee,	$12.00
F. A. Stillings, for medicine and attending Joseph Perigee,	2.00
S. D. Marden, for medicine and attending Joseph Perigee,	5.00
George L. Lovejoy, for casket, robe, and box for Mary Griffin,	27.25
F. D. Randall, for medicine and attendiug Mary Griffin,	10.50
I. M. Savage, for groceries for Thomas J. Foote,	23.00
C. G. Blanchard, sheeting for Thomas J. Foote,	3.11
James Grafton for beef, medicine, etc., for Mrs. John Collins,	2.01
Mary J. Grafton, for care and nursing Mrs. John Collins,	10.00

Paid—James Grafton, for digging grave for Mrs. John Collins,	$1.50
H. Thompson, for coffin for Mrs. John Collins,	15.00
William A. Elliott, for driving hearse at Mrs. John Collins' funeral,	5.00
James Grafton, for board of James Collins,	43.50
Lincoln & Shaw, for clothing for James Collins,	5.00
	$164.87

Town Paupers.

Paid—Willeby Colby, for groceries for Charles Morgan,	$28.35
Dr. Chase, for attendance on Charles Morgan's family,	6.00
Dr. Walker, for attendance on Charles Morgan's family,	3.00
	$37.35

Highways and Bridges.

Paid—Joseph Dow, labor on highway in Dist. No. 8,	$9.90
Charles H. Hadley, for bridge striugers in No. 12,	21.60
Jonathan C. Ordway, for labor on highway in No. 9, for 1882,	18.37
Charles B. Davis, for labor on highway in Dist. No. 2, in 1882,	5.17
George W. Noyes, for labor on highway in Dist. No. 12,	5.50
M. T. Ladd, for bridge plank,	1.08
John P. Elliott, for labor on highway in Dist, No. 7,	2.50
H. H. Crowell, for labor on highway in Dist. No. 1,	4.08
William Upton, for plank and bridge stringers,	5.59
West Upton, for plank,	5.02

Paid—Joseph Baker, for labor on highway,	$1.00
Samuel C. Clement, for bridge plank in Districts No. 1 and 13,	31.14
Non-resident highway receipts,	111.07
	$222.02

Miscellaneous.

Paid—F. J. Batchelder, for printing town reports, for 1882,	$19.00
James A, Brown, special school house tax, in No. 1 in Bow, and No. 23 in Concord,	43.00
Lewis M. Brown, special school tax in Dist. No. 14,	40.00
James H. B. Palmer, for watering tub on highway, for 1881—1882,	6.00
Charles C. Morgan, for splitting stone,	10.00
D. A. Colby, for watering tub on highway,	3.00
R. Green, for abatement of taxes for 1882,	6.46
Emery Clough, for damage to horse and carriage on highway,	5.00
R. Green, for abatement of taxes for the year 1883,	14.00
W. A. Elliott, for driving hearse,	10.00
J. G. Clough, for watering tub on highway,	3.00
Dr. Randall, for return of births,	1.00
Ray & Walker, for advice,	2.00
O. H. A. Chamberlain, for check-list and printing,	4.00
F. J. Batchelder, for paper,	2.00
Chase & Streeter, for professional services,	12.00
J. B. Sanborn, for stationery,	4.85
H. H. Parker, for abatement of taxes,	46.72
Selectmen, for bounty on crows,	21.50
Willeby Colby, repairs on hearse,	3.00
J. B. Weeks, for copy of inventory in Dist. No. 23, in Concord,	1.50
A. W. Colby, for postage stamps,	1.00
	$256.33

Town Officers' Bills.

Paid—John W. Goodhue,	for services as selectman,	$71.75
Asa Morgan,	for services as selectman,	47.25
Betton F. Smith,	for services as selectman,	36.00
Enoch Alexander,	town treasurer,	10.00
Charles H. W. Carter,	snpervisor,	6.75
Warren C. Saltmarsh,	supervisor,	4.50
Otis C. Noyes,	supervisor,	4.50
F. Merriam,	service as superintending school committee,	45.50
Rhodolphus Green,	town clerk,	16.00
Rhodolphus Green,	collector of taxes,	50.00
F. Merriam,	Auditor,	1.50
		$293.75

Town of Bow to John W. Goodhue, for services as Selectman for the year ending March 1, 1884.

1883.		Dr.
March 17.	To preparing inventory blanks and distributing same, three days,	$4.50
March 22.	To drawing jury,	.75
March 30.	To preparing inventory books,	3.00
April 20.	To taking inventory and making taxes, fifteen days,	22.50
April 21.	To Concord to get the valuation of Dist. No. 23, in Concord,	1.50
April 23.	To time spent in making affidavit, getting certificate, and having James Collins adjudged a county pauper,	3.00
April 28.	To making school house tax in Dist. No. 1 in Bow, and 23 in Concord,	1.50
April 30.	To making returns to Secretary of State and State Treasurer,	2.00
May 5.	To distributing highway surveyors' warrants,	1.50
June 1.	To recording taxes,	5.00

Nov. 1.	To time spent in Mrs. John Collins' case,	$2.00
Dec. 5.	To time spent in settling road damage in Dist. No. 1,	2.00
Dec. 7.	To time spent in settling for sheep damaged by dogs,	1.00
Dec. 10.	To Manchester on pauper case, and expense,	3.00
Dec. 22.	To regulating jury box and drawing jury,	.75
1884.		
Jan.	To time spent in procuring coffin, getting affidavit, and having Joseph Perigee adjudged a county pauper,	3.00
	To time spent for T. J. Foote,	3.00
Feb.	To time spent in paocuring casket, getting affidavit, and having Mary Griffin adjudged a county pauper,	3.00
	To appointing constable,	.75
Feb. 2.	To settling with county commissioners and expense,	2.00
Feb. 21.	To making and posting warrants for town meeting,	1.50
Feb. 23.	To settling town occounts,	1.50
Feb. 24.	To Hooksett on town business,	1.50
March 1.	To one day settling town accounts and making reports,	1.50

Town of Bow to Asa Morgan, for services as Selectman, for the year ending March 1, 1884.

1883.		Dr.
March 17.	To preparing and delivering inventory blanks, three days,	4.50
March 23.	To attending jury meeting,	.75
April 20.	To taking inventory and making taxes, fifteen days,	22.50
April 23.	To one day delivering highway warrants,	1.50

April 28.	To making school house tax in Dist. No. 1,	$1.50
April 30.	To time spent on town business,	1.50
June 30.	To appointing highway surveyors,	1.50
July 2.	To one day at town house on town business,	1.50
July 7.	To one day at town house to receive highway warrants,	1.50
July 14.	To town clerk's on town business,	.75
Sept. 15.	To attending jury meeting,	.75
Dec. 22.	To attending jury meeting and regulating jury box,	1.50
1884.		
Feb. 1.	To one day settling pauper accounts,	1.50
Feb. 21.	To making and posting warrants,	1.50
Feb. 23.	To one day settling town accounts,	1.50
Feb. 25.	To Hooksett on town business,	1.50
March 1.	To one day settling town accounts and making town reports,	1.50

Town of Bow to Betton F. Smith, for services as Selectman for the year ending March 1, 1884.

1883.		Dr.
March 15.	To one day's work preparing inventory blanks and distributing,	$1.50
April 21.	To taking inventory and making taxes, fifteen days,	22.50
April 21.	To one half day distributing highway surveyors' warrants,	.75
April 28.	To one day making special school district tax in Dist. No. 1 in Bow and No. 23 in Concord,	1.50
May.	To Hopkinton on Farrington road, and to getting a man to keep it in repair,	.75
July 2.	To one day appointing and qualifying highway surveyors in Dist. No. 2,	1.50
July 7.	To one day receiving highway surveyors' warrants,	1.50

July 25.	To see about the road at Hadley's corner, and to have it repaired,	$ .75
Dec. 22.	To regulating jury box and drawing jury,	.75
1884.		
Feb. 21, 23, and March 1.	To making warrants and posting and settling town business,	4,50

There is now cash in the treasury amounting to	$1,691.15
Due from R. Green, collector of taxes for 1883,	690.58
Leaving a balance in favor of the town of	$2,381.73

JOHN W. GOODHUE,
ASA MORGAN,
BETTON F. SMITH,
} *Selectmen of Bow.*

ENOCH ALEXANDER, *Town Treasurer.*

I, the undersigned, auditor of the selectmen's and treasurer's accounts for the year ending March 1, 1884, certify that I have examined said accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

FRANKLIN MERRIAM, *Auditor.*

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

There are scholars in town sufficient to make four or five good schools. They could be taught better by four or five good teachers, than by fourteen. Could the number of districts be reduced, it would be a favor to many in several ways. District No. 6, almost houseless, could be distributed among contiguous districts with very little inconvenience to any. Districts No. 4 and 12, could be united to the advantage of both; but for a family or two, District No. 13, could find homes in Districts No. 1 and 2, to the advantage of all. If District No. 8, had not so good a house, it could find ample accommodations in adjoining districts; thus, the schooling of many might be double, if not treble what it is, with very little inconvenience, and less expense.

The schools suffer much from the great variety of books in use, thus making many classes a necessity, when if the books were uniform, less classes would be possible, and far better results. In District No. 4, there were forty classes to the great injury of the school. A change of Readers, Arithmetics and Geographies, ought to be made with very little delay. The laws of the State require that "teachers be examined in Physiology and Hygiene, with special reference to the effects of alcoholic drinks, stimulants, and narcotics upon the human system." Leach, Sanborn & Sherwell, 87 Franklin street, Boston, publish an excellent treatise on these subjects. Its title is: "Lessons on the Human Body," by C. M. Brands. I would recommend its use to our teachers, and to all, who wish to increase their knowledge on these subjects.

District No. 1.

James A. Brown, committee. Miss Mary L. Flanders, was employed for the first term with very good success.

Miss Buntin taught the fall term, and seemed to manage the school admirably, though the Register makes no mention of her connection with the school.

Miss A. L. Hammond was teacher for the third term. Her success was very good for one so young, but it is understood that if she had been an experienced teacher, more of the older scholars of the district would have attended school.

District No. 2.

H. Clough, committee. Miss Annie C. Corliss was employed for the first term, and though quite young, succeeded very well.

In the winter, Mr. J. C. Hammond, taught his fifty-seventh term. His success in teaching is very remarkable.

District No. 3.

Charles H. W. Carter, committee. Miss Rosie Wooster was employed for twenty weeks. Her success was more than we could reasonably expect. With much earnestness she taught much more than her duties or the law required of her.

District No. 4.

S. E. Austin, committee. Miss Mary J. Kilburn, taught eighteen weeks. Her first term seemed to be a good success; what caused her failure in the second term, we cannot say. Only a portion of the scholars were present at our last visit.

District No. 5.

S. A. Sargent, committee. Miss Laura E. Morgan, teacher. A better teacher could not easily be employed.

District No. 6.

E. Colby, committee. Miss Grace V. Colby, teacher. No fault could be found with her labors. They were vastly better than the house in which she served.

District No. 7.

Charles Hammond, committee. Miss Oretta M. Watson, taught her first term of school with a good degree of success, though the scholars were not far advanced in studies.

District No. 8.

Isaac White, committee. Miss Flora M. Nesmith rendered excellent service for eleven weeks.

District No. 9.

I. Woodbury, committee. It is enough to say that Mr. J. C. Hammond was employed for the sixth term, and the sixth year, for ten weeks.

District No. 10.

James Grafton, committee. Mr. Grafton was very wise in emyloying Miss L. E. Morgan for the first, and Mr. J. C. Hammond for the second term. Was it wise to divide eleven weeks into two terms?

District No. 11.

L. J. Colby, committee. Miss Nettie R. Jones was employed for the first term, and labored faithfully and successfully for ten weeks.

Miss L. E. Morgan for the winter term, was employed with her usual success. It is no mean compliment to a teacher to be employed three terms in one season among her townsmen.

District No. 12.

E. A. Wetherbee, committee. Mr. J. P. Brown rendered just the service that ought to be expected of so noted a teacher, for seven weeks. His report of his pupils is the best, as a whole. Myrtie Wetherbee did not recite an imperfect lesson in History.

District No. 13.

L. Page, committee. Miss Lydia Marshall was quite successful with the small scholars. It would give us great pleasure could we say as much concerning the oldest scholar in the school.

District No. 14.

L. Brown, committee. Miss L. J. Wheeler was employed twenty-one weeks. In the fall, she taught her thirty-sixth term, her ninth in this school. Her services appeared to be first-class, every way. As a whole, the teachers were unusually excellent, but the best fail sometimes. Let us look leniently upon their failures.

ROLL OF HONOR.

This includes those whose attendance, deportment, and attention to their studies, deserve special mention:

No. 1. Alice L. Brown.

No. 2. Bert G. Clough.

No. 3. Bert G. Wooster, Willie May, Nettie Belle May, Carrie May.

No. 4. Mamie L. Austin, Freddie W. Saltmarsh.

No. 5. Maggie M. Short, Addie Sargent, Eddie L. Brown, M. Hartford, Sammie Sargent.

No. 6, Perley David Colby.

No. 7. Junia M. Hammond.

No. 8. Irving H. Gray, F. C. Jones.

No. 9. Willie F. Davis, A. C. Davis, Jennie M. Davis, Etta Ordway, Dan Ordway, W. Ordway, O. M. Ordway, E. Ordway.

No. 10. Frank Grafton, Willie Colby, Frank Green.

No. 11. Lizzie Hammond, E. H. Colby, Wallace Morgan, J. Hollis Morgan.

No. 13. Myra L. Page.

No. 14. Freddie Dockray, Geo. F. Sanborn, Geo. Butterfield, Charles Butterfield, James Brown, Minnie Brown, Eva M. Colby, P. Thompson, G. B. Davis, A. P. Davis, J. L. Brown.

FRANKLIN MERRIAM,

Superintending School Committee.

Bow, N. H., March 1, 1884.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

No. of District.	Terms.	Names of Teachers.	No. Weeks of School.	Wages per Month.	No. of Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Not Absent.	No. of visits of S. S. Com.	No. of visits of P. Com.	No. of visits of Friends.
1	Summer.	Miss M. L. Flanders.	8	$22.00	5	4	1	5		29
	Fall.	Miss Buntin.	8	22.00	5					
	Winter.	Miss A. L. Hammond.	8	22.00	5	9	1	2		11
2	Summer.	Miss Annie C. Corliss.	9	20.00	13					
	Winter.	Mr. J. C. Hammond.	10	28.00	17	9				
3	Both Terms.	Miss Rosa Wooster.	21	20.00	10	8	5	2	7	27
4	Both Terms.	Miss Mary J. Kilburn.	18	20.00	13	6	3	2	1	38
5	Fall.	Miss L. E. Morgan.	10	20.00	20	19	8	2	1	19
6	Fall.	Miss Grace V. Colby.	10	20.00	6	5	1	2	1	3
7	Fall.	Miss Oretta M. Watson.	12	19.00	11	9	1	2	3	14
8	Fall.	Miss Flora M. Nesmith.	11	20.00	16	12	1	2		4
9	Summer.	Mr. J. C. Hammond.	10	30.00	16	16		2		15
10	Summer.	Miss L. E. Morgan.	6	20.00	15	10		4		16
	Winter.	Mr. J. C. Hammond.	5	26 00	14					
11	Summer.	Miss Nettie R. Jones.	10	20.00						
	Winter.	Miss L. E. Morgan.	11	24.00	19	16	3	4		31
12	Summer.	Mr. J. P. Brown.	7	25.00	12	10	5	2		18
13	Fall.	Miss Lydia Marshall.	11	20.00	7	5	1	2		14
14	Both Terms.	Miss L. J. Wheeler.	21	24.00	25	22	3	4	2	36

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